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From: Loop, Travis
Sent: Wed 8/12/2015 7:24:33 PM
Subject: FW: For Dwane/Tommy/Susan/Alice - RE: CBS National News Inquiry

And crappy news on this one too.

OWOW is years behind on all of their data analysis and reporting. It's pretty bad.

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From: Bravo, Antonio
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 3:20 PM
To: Loop, Travis; Han, Kaythi
Subject: RE: For Dwane/Tommy/Susan/Alice - RE: CBS National News Inquiry

Yup...ugh and ouch and all of that.....

From: Loop, Travis
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 3:18 PM
To: Bravo, Antonio; Han, Kaythi
Subject: Re: For Dwane/Tommy/Susan/Alice - RE: CBS National News Inquiry

So the final answer is we don't have an updated statistic?

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On Aug 12, 2015, at 3:14 PM, Bravo, Antonio <Bravo.Antonio@epa.gov> wrote:

FYI.

From: Mayo, Alice

Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 3:10 PM

To: Monschein, Eric; Bravo, Antonio; Holdsworth, Susan; Dewald, Tommy; Young, Dwane; Reid, Wendy

Cc: Havard, James; Dowell, Katharine; Reems, Shera; Wall, Tom

Subject: RE: For Dwane/Tommy/Susan/Alice - RE: CBS National News Inquiry

Hi all,

Confirming that the 305b information we provide through the Report to Congress/ATTAINS does not include this information. Neither do the National Aquatic Resource Surveys.

Alice Mayo

From: Monschein, Eric

Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 2:21 PM

To: Bravo, Antonio; Holdsworth, Susan; Dewald, Tommy; Young, Dwane; Mayo, Alice; Reid, Wendy

Cc: Havard, James; Dowell, Katharine; Reems, Shera; Wall, Tom

Subject: For Dwane/Tommy/Susan/Alice - RE: CBS National News Inquiry

Hi Monitoring Branch colleagues. We have a press inquiry that Antonio wants us to be hyper responsive too (see below). Shera and I looked at this and don't think this is a statistic that came from the 303d side of our house. Rather, it may have come from one of

the previous 305b reports to congress. Hence, sending Antonio's request your way. Note that we looked at the document in the link and the authors don't cite the EPA source.

From: Bravo, Antonio
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 2:05 PM
To: Monschein, Eric
Cc: Havard, James; Dowell, Katharine
Subject: RE: CBS National News Inquiry
Importance: High

Thank you Mindy...Eric, Jim, or Katharine, appreciate your help with this....Travis is being bombarded by the Administrator's Office.

From: Eisenberg, Mindy
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 1:51 PM
To: Bravo, Antonio; Monschein, Eric
Subject: Re: CBS National News Inquiry

WD doesn't have any info. What about 305/303d listing?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 12, 2015, at 1:05 PM, Bravo, Antonio <Bravo.Antonio@epa.gov> wrote:

Got it. Farmed this out to Wetlands Division for quick turnaround...

From: Loop, Travis
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 12:48 PM
To: Han, Kaythi
Cc: Bravo, Antonio; Siedschlag, Gregory
Subject: Re: CBS National News Inquiry

It is critical that we work hard and fast on inquiries related to the mine spill issue.

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On Aug 12, 2015, at 12:36 PM, Han, Kaythi <Han.Kaythi@epa.gov> wrote:

Antonio and Greg,

CBS is looking to fact-check a figure from a 2000 report from the National Wildlife Federation; can you check if we have anything more recent?

Inquiry:

CBS National News is looking for some information regarding this 2000 report from the National Wildlife Federation: <http://www.nwf.org/What-We-Do/Energy-and-Climate/Drilling-and-Mining/~media/EDAE3F91228A46EFA9D63A631EEF073F.ashx>

We are wondering if there is an updated number for the following statistic stated in the report: ***The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that 40% of the headwaters of watersheds in the western United States are contaminated by pollution from hardrock mines.***

Thanks,

Kaythi

From: Daguiard, Robert
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 12:26 PM
To: Colaizzi, Jennifer C.
Cc: Han, Kaythi; Loop, Travis; Lee, Monica
Subject: RE: CBS National News Inquiry

+ Travis, Monica and Kaythi. Please note Jennifer's question about the Gold King Mine incident.

Thanks, R.

From: Colaizzi, Jennifer C.
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 12:18 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert
Subject: Re: CBS National News Inquiry

The OSWER Mine expert says this is OW. However, can you ask if there is any information that can be rolled into a background Q&As for this incident?

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 11:37 AM
To: Colaizzi, Jennifer C.
Subject: FW: CBS National News Inquiry

Jen, I hesitate to send this to EOC, as this looks like a more general inquiry, probably for OW and/or OSWER. Let me know if I should send to other people.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 11:35 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert
Cc: Lehman, Rachel; Ludwigsen, Emily
Subject: Fwd: CBS National News Inquiry

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Shahida, Yasmin" <ShahidaY@cbsnews.com>
Date: August 12, 2015 at 11:33:28 AM EDT
To: "'jones.enesta@epa.gov'" <jones.enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: CBS National News Inquiry

Hi Enesta,

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If you could please get back to me as soon as possible about these two inquiries that would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

Yasmin

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